

**Abstract of the Disclosure****3D Text Objects**

5 A method and apparatus are provided for generating three-dimensional text **1403** within images **1601** composited in real time, by means of generating three-dimensional text **1403** from one or a plurality of text formatting templates **303**. Storage means **204** stores said text formatting templates **303** and instructions **302** for processing means **201**, **202**. Said instructions **302** configure said processing means **201**, **202** to define (**404**) a text formatting template **512**. Said instructions **302** further configure said processing means **201**, **202** to equip (**405**) said defined text formatting template **512** with three-dimensional preferences with which to format text **1402** to be included in said template and subsequently equip (**407**) said defined text formatting template **512** with said text **1402**. Said instructions **302** finally configure said processing means **201**, **202** to render (**408**) said two-dimensional template **512** including said text **1403** formatted according to said three-dimensional preferences (**1602**).

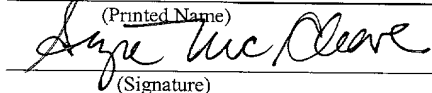
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